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Docket No.: 080045-000100US
Client Ref. No.: 13773/1/St

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

FRANZ KNAUSEDER

Application No. 10/593,057 ✓

Filed: August 12, 2008

For: JOINING PANEL

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Art Unit: 3635

REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING
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Attached hereto is a markup copy of the Official Filing Receipt received from the Patent and Trademark Office in the above-noted application which shows the requested change in red and for which issuance of a corrected filing receipt is respectfully requested.

There is an error in the *Applicant* section of the Official Filing Receipt. Applicant Franz Knauseder's city of mailing address should be **Schalchen**.

A Supplemental Application Data Sheet denoting this change was filed with the response to Notice of Missing Requirements on August 12, 2008, a copy of which is enclosed and was made of record.


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There is also an error in the entity status section of the Official Filing Receipt. Large entity status should be claimed. We filed a Correction of Entity Status and Payment of Deficiency Owed along with the response to the Notice of Missing Requirements on August 12, 2008, a copy of which is enclosed and was made of record.

Applicant requests that a corrected Filing Receipt be issued and all U.S. Patent and Trademark Office records be updated to reflect the requested corrections .

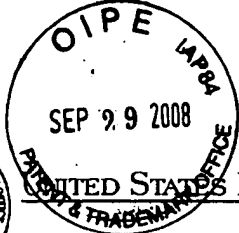
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Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

This application is a 371 of PCT/AT2005/000054 02/21/2005

Foreign Applications

AUSTRIA A511/2004 03/23/2004

If Required, Foreign Filing License Granted: 08/26/2008

The country code and number of your priority application, to be used for filing abroad under the Paris Convention,
is **US 10/593,057**

Projected Publication Date: 12/04/2008

Non-Publication Request: No

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Large Entity

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Title

Joining Panel

Preliminary Class

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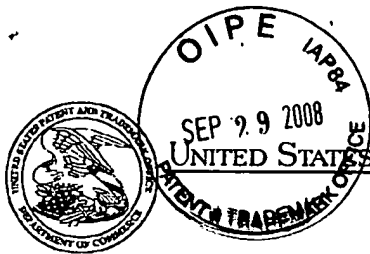
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371 ACCEPTANCE LETTER



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NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C 371 AND 37 CFR 1.495

The applicant is hereby advised that the United States Patent and Trademark Office in its capacity as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495), has determined that the above identified international application has met the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371, and is ACCEPTED for national patentability examination in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

The United States Application Number assigned to the application is shown above and the relevant dates are:

08/12/2008
DATE OF RECEIPT OF 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1),
(c)(2) and (c)(4) REQUIREMENTS

08/12/2008
DATE OF COMPLETION OF ALL
35 U.S.C. 371 REQUIREMENTS

A Filing Receipt (PTO-103X) will be issued for the present application in due course. **THE DATE APPEARING ON THE FILING RECEIPT AS THE " FILING DATE" IS THE DATE ON WHICH THE LAST OF THE 35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) REQUIREMENTS HAS BEEN RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE. THIS DATE IS SHOWN ABOVE.** The filing date of the above identified application is the international filing date of the international application (Article 11(3) and 35 U.S.C. 363). Once the Filing Receipt has been received, send all correspondence to the Group Art Unit designated thereon.

The following items have been received:

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 09/15/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 09/15/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 09/15/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 09/15/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 08/12/2008
- Small Entity Statement filed on 09/15/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 09/15/2006
- Substitute Specification filed on 09/15/2006
- Power of Attorney filed on 08/12/2008

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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Supplemental Application Data Sheet

Application Information

Application number:: 10/593,057
Filing Date:: 09/15/06
Application Type:: Regular
Subject Matter:: Utility
Title:: Joining Panel
Attorney Docket Number:: 080045-000100US
Request for Early Publication:: No
Request for Non-Publication:: No
Total Drawing Sheets:: 1
Small Entity?: Yes No
Petition included?: No
Secrecy Order in Parent Appl.: No

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Domestic Priority Information

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Foreign Priority Information

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Austria	A 511/2004	03/23/04

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CORRECTION OF ENTITY STATUS
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Sir/Madam:

The above-identified application filed on September 15, 2006, originally claimed small entity status in good faith. However, it has recently been discovered that such status as a small entity was established in error. The error was made without deceptive intent.

The following submission of deficiency payment and itemization are submitted to meet the requirements of 37 CFR § 1.28(c). Applicant respectfully requests the total deficiency payment be processed as set out below and that the error be excused.

ITEMIZATION AND CALCULATION OF THE DEFICIENCY OWED


DATE FILED	TYPE OF FEE	SMALL FEE ACTUALLY PAID	(CURRENT) LARGE FEE APPLIED	DEFICIENCY PAYMENT OWED
9/15/06	Basic national filing fee	\$150.00	\$310.00	\$160.00
9/15/06	Basic examination fee	\$100.00	\$210.00	\$110.00
9/15/06	Basic search fee	\$200.00	\$410.00	\$210.00
9/15/06	16 extra claims in excess of 20	\$400.00	\$800.00	\$400.00
N/A	Surcharge - Late Filing Fee - 37 CFR 1.16(f) (see also PTO-1390)		\$130.00	\$130.00

TOTAL DEFICIENCY PAYMENT OWED: \$1,010.00

Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner to deduct the total fees of \$1,010.00 from the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 20-1430. Please deduct any additional fees from, or credit any overpayment to, the above-noted Deposit Account.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at (415) 273-4730.

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